

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A fuel cell-purposed separator comprising:
  - a gas passage having a plurality of stages that are connected via a turnaround
  - 5 portion; and
  - a bypass that connects an upstream-side stage of the gas passage to a downstream-side stage of the gas passage and that causes a gas that flows in via a gas inlet of the bypass to flow out of a gas outlet.
- 10 2. The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 1, wherein the gas passage is defined by a side wall of the separator and a rib, or by two ribs.
3. The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 2, wherein the separator is disposed parallel to a direction of gravity, and a gas inlet to the separator is located in
- 15 a lower portion of the separator, and a gas outlet from the separator is located in an upper portion of the separator.
4. The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 3, wherein a bypass outlet of the bypass and a distal end of a downstream-side partition rib overlap in a horizontal
- 20 direction.
5. The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 1, wherein the separator is disposed parallel to a direction of gravity, and a gas inlet to the separator is located in a lower portion of the separator, and a gas outlet from the separator is located in an
- 25 upper portion of the separator.
6. A fuel cell-purposed separator comprising:
  - a gas passage having a plurality of turnaround portions; and
  - a bypass that connects a most upstream-side turnaround portion of the gas
  - 30 passage to a most downstream-side turnaround portion of the gas passage,
  - wherein a gas inlet to the separator and a gas outlet from the separator are located at a same side of the separator.

7. The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 6, wherein the gas passage is defined by a side wall of the separator and a rib, or by two ribs.

5 8. The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 7, wherein the separator is disposed parallel to a direction of gravity, and a gas inlet to the separator is located in a lower portion of the separator, and a gas outlet from the separator is located in an upper portion of the separator.

10 9. The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 8, wherein a bypass outlet of the bypass and a distal end of a most downstream-side partition rib overlap in a horizontal direction.

15 10. The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 6, wherein the bypass is located at a side of the separator opposite from the gas inlet and the gas outlet.

11. The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 6, wherein the separator is disposed parallel to a direction of gravity, and a gas inlet to the separator is located in a lower portion of the separator, and a gas outlet from the separator is located in an upper portion of the separator.